As regards opening of Middle Schools, the District Educational Officer has been instructed to permit next higher standard from V Standard and onwards subject to availability of facilities such as accommodation and strength.

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## RAILWAY LINE FROM TUMKUR TO CHITRADURGA

*Q.—896. SRI R. KENCHAPPA (Pavagada) .—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the laying of a railway line from Tumkur to Chitradurga via Kortagere, Madhugiri, Madakashira, Pavagada and Challakere is under the consideration of Government for a long time ;

(*b*) whether any survey of this line has been conducted ;

(*c*) if not, whether they will recommend to the Central Government to take up this Survey work and to lay this railway line ?

*A.—SRI VEERENDRA PATIL (Minister for Public Works) .—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) The information is not available.

(*c*) Not for the present.

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## AMOUNT SPENT ON ADULT EDUCATION

*Q.—398. SRI R. KENCHAPPA (Pavagada) .—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amount spent for the Adult Education every year in the State ;

(*b*) whether they intend to entrust the work of the Adult Education Council to the Social Education Board ?

*A.—SRI S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Education) .—

(*a*) Please see the Statement enclosed.

(*b*) No.